

How can this be happening in America?  
How can it possibly pass for news?  
This is outrageous and must be illegal?  
I don't care if it airs, but it can not air as NEWS!!!  
If it airs as a partisan show, then you must make  
sure the other side is represented!

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their  
stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days  
before the election is a clear example of the dangers  
of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and  
is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But  
when large companies control the airwaves, we get  
more of what's good for the bottom line and less of  
what we need for our democracy. Instead of  
something produced at "News Central" far away, it's  
more important that we see real people from our  
own communities and more substantive news about  
issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen  
media ownership rules, not weaken them. They  
show why the license renewal process needs to  
involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.